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of the

Selectmen, Clerk, Treasurer, Road Agents,

School Board, and Other Officials

Trustees and Librarian of the

George Gamble Library

of the

TOWN OF

DANBURY

for

The Year Ending Dec. 31, 1948

Together with the

VITAL STATISTICS

For the Year Ending December 31, 1948

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SELECTMEN'S SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

We, the selectmen of Danbury again submit our annual report, this being for the year 1948, and give you our recommendations for the year 1949.

Last year our main problem was highways for which you raised $3,000.00. With the sums received from the State under the class V., or Duncan fund, together with the Town Road Aid, (T.R.A.) money, and with the delayed snow fall we have kept the expense within the appropriations.

We bought a new truck for the amount appropriated ($2,500.00) and although we have at this time used it very little on snow removal we can see that the town has saved money and we consider it a good investment.

The Fire Department asks for the sum of $900.00 to complete their project, details of which will be found in their report.

Now comes the main problem of the year, which is the repair of the Sargent and Lund bridges, for which you are asked to raise or appropriate the sum of $4,000.00. Owing to the increase in costs of material and labor, this sum is larger than would normally be expected. The Sargent bridge was built to carry a load of ten tons, but owing to the fact that our roads and bridges are required by law to carry 15 tons, there is some reinforcing to be done to the superstructure which runs into quite a larger sum. The maximum required for the town's share is $4,000.00 which is quite a sum less than our normal share.

Owing to the fact that the tax commission's representative reassessed quite a lot of our real estate and increased our valuation, and with the additional taxable property we see available for 1949, we feel you can appropriate the sums asked for with little change of our present tax rate.

TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator
FRANCIS O. SHELDON

Town Clerk
ANNE G. ROBY

Treasurer
STEPHEN J. FORD

Selectmen
ERVIN J. PERKINS CHARLES C. MORRISON
CLINTON F. HUNTOON

Collector of Taxes
DOROTHY M. HEATH

Representative to General Court
ROY K. SARGENT

State Highway Foreman
CLARENCE E. FORD

State Deputy Sheriff
JAMES W. STEWART

Constable
LAWRENCE CURREN

Police
CLARENCE E. FORD CLARENCE A. FOWLER
VINCENT DAUGHN

Supervisors
LAWRENCE E. FORD JAMES W. STEWART
HARRY O. SWETT

Health Officer
THELMA HEATH

Library Trustees
MARGARET RAMSEY CORA I. SARGENT
HARRIET G. MORRISON

Trustees of Trust Fund

ARTHUR W. JEWETT CLARENCE E. FORD
FRANCIS O. SHELDON

Forest Fire Warden

WARREN A. POWERS, CHIEF

Deputies

RAND C. FORD ROY K. SARGENT
REGINALD GLINES EVERETT M. HEATH

School Board

ROY K. SARGENT BEULAH FORD
EDNA F. POWERS

Tree Warden

FRANCIS O. SHELDON

Fence Viewers

HORACE M. HASTINGS CLARENCE A. FOWLER
FREEMAN MORRISON

Road Agent

ROY B. FORD

Auditors

HORACE M. HASTINGS ROY K. SARGENT

Vol. Fire Department

IN CASE OF FIRE
CALL CENTRAL TEL. OPERATOR

Fire Commissioners

FRED C. HOPPER FRANCIS O. SHELDON
CLARENCE W. TOWSE

Chief

CLARENCE E. FORD

Clerk and Captain

CHARLES C. MORRISON

Lieutenants

MAURICE E. WELLS LAWRENCE CURREN
ROY K. SARGENT

TOWN WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Danbury in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Danbury on Tuesday, the eighth day of March, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town expenses for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance of highways.

4. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the repairs of Sargent, and Lund bridges.

5. To see if the town will vote to accept T.R.A. money, if available, and raise town's chare.

6. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the George Gamble Library.

7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the Danbury Volunteer Fire Department.

8. To see what sum of money the town will raise for street lights.

9. To see what sum of money the town will raise for American Legion for Memorial Day.

10. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the care of cemeteries.

11. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

12. To see if the town will vote to give a discount on taxes.

13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not exceeding one-hundredth of one percent (1/100 of 1%) of the net assessed valuation based on the assessment of 1948 for the purpose of publicizing and promoting the natural advantages and resources of the town, together with other towns in the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region Association.

14. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $400.00 for repairs of the town highway garage.

Other articles will be added before warrant is posted.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the

Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and

Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1948	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1948	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1949
FROM STATE:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	$ 588.78	$ 658.99	$ 650.00
Railroad Tax	707.28	717.64	700.00
Savings Bank Tax	313.27	255.65	250.00
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal	3.89	3.65	3.50
For Fighting Forest Fires		81.58	
Grass Fires		16.64	
Bounties		273.50	
FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES:			
Business Licenses and Permits		2.50	
Rent of Town Hall and Land		4.00	4.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	40.00	41.30	40.00
Highway, including rental of equipment		11.20	
Filing Fees		11.00	8.00
Redemptions		37.98	
Class V Highway	2,700.00	2,578.70	2,400.00
Dog Tax		229.60	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	700.00	930.85	700.00
Cemetery Lots		70.00	
Poor Off Farm		146.12	
Land bought		130.62	
Abatements		6.16	
Interest on land bought		6.97	
Overtax		14.48	
AMOUNT RAISED by ISSUE of NOTES:			
Short term notes		10,000.00	
Cash on hand		371.23	
FROM LOCAL TAXES other than PROPERTY TAX:			
Poll Taxes—Regular @ $2.00		398.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes		5.00	
Property Tax received		16,597.02	
Total Revenues:		$ 33,600.38	

DANBURY, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Ensuing Year Jan. 1, 1949 to Dec. 31, 1949
Expenditures of the Previous Year Jan. 1, 1948 to Dec. 31, 1948

Purposes of Expenditures	Appropriations Previous Year 1948	Actual Expenditures Previous yr. 1948	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing yr. 1949
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:			
Town Officers' Salaries	$ 750.00	$ 687.50	$ 650.00
Town Officers' Expenses	150.00	208.22	150.00
Election and Registration Expenses	150.00	156.00	75.00
Expenses of town hall and other buildings	550.00	510.48	150.00
PROTECTION of PERSONS and PROPERTY:			
Forest Fire		187.99	100.00
Police Department	25.00	40.50	50.00
Fire Department		443.34	900.00
Bounties		226.00	400.00
HEALTH:			
Health Department	15.00		15.00
Vital Statistics	12.00	10.00	10.00
HIGHWAYS and BRIDGES:			
Truck expense		399.06	
Town Maintenance: Summer		1,789.65	
Town Maintenance: Winter	3,000.00	2,576.60	3,000.00
Street Lighting	600.00	600.00	660.00
General Expenses of Highway Department		505.75	
Town Road Aid	538.50	538.50	550.00
Tractor Expense		758.40	
Sanding		122.80	
LIBRARIES:			
Libraries	150.00	150.00	150.00
PUBLIC WELFARE:			
Town Poor	52.00	52.00	52.00
Old Age Assistance	1,800.00	2,038.56	2,000.00
County Poor		113.38	
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:			
Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	100.00	100.00	100.00
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:			
Cemeteries	75.00	64.40	75.00
Town dump		32.70	
UNCLASSIFIED:			
Land Bought for Taxes		152.27	
New Lands and Buildings		800.00	
New Equipment		2,500.00	
Unclassified		635.97	450.00
Advertising and Regional Associations	36.00	36.00	
INTEREST:			
On Temporary Loans		191.08	250.00
PAYMENTS on PRINCIPAL of DEBTS:			
Short Term Notes		7,500.00	
Withholding Tax		65.10	
Payments to other Governmental Divisions:			
County Taxes		1,331.55	
School Taxes		7,434.81	
Total Expenditures:		$ 32,958.61	

INVENTORY OF TOWN OF DANBURY, 1948

Land and buildings, exclusive of growing wood and timber	$ 284,056.00	
Growing wood and timber	25,504.00	
Electric plants	34,720.00	
Horses (69)	7,230.00	
Cows (146)	19,028.00	
Neat stock (25)	2,290.00	
Sheep and goats (47)	424.00	
Fowl (3,234)	4,101.00	
Wood and lumber	1,100.00	
Gas pumps and tanks	2,170.00	
Stock and trade	9,950.00	
Coal conveyor	500.00	
		$391,073.00
Amount of taxes to be committed to collector, including poll taxes and national bank stock		$ 17,317.15
Average rate percent of taxation for all purposes		$ 4.30
Amount exempt to soldiers		$ 23,250.00

LIST OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Town officers' salaries	$ 750.00
Town officers' expenses	150.00
Election and registration expenses	150.00
Town Hall and other buildings	150.00
Police department	25.00
Fire department	250.00
Health department	15.00
Vital statistics	12.00
Town road aid (T.R.A.)	538.50
Town maintenance, highways	3,000.00

Town reports	180.00	
Street lights	600.00	
Library	150.00	
Old age assistance	1,800.00	
Town poor	52.00	
Patriotic purposes, American Legion	100.00	
Cemeteries	75.00	
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region	36.00	
New buildings, town garage and fire house	800.00	
Repairs on town buildings	400.00	
New truck	2,500.00	
County tax	1,331.55	
School tax	6,020.14	
Total appropriations		$ 19,085.19
Less estimated revenue:		
Interest and dividend tax	$ 630.72	
Railroad tax	707.28	
Saving bank tax	312.00	
Motor vehicle permits	700.00	
Interest on taxes	40.00	
Rent of town land and tax	10.00	
		$ 2,400.00
		$ 16,685.19
Plus overlay		631.96
		$ 17,317.15
Less 248 poll taxes @ $2.00	$ 496.00	
Bank stock tax	5.00	
		$ 501.00
Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is figured		$ 16,816.15

ASSETS

Cash on hand January 1, 1949	$ 641.77
Due from bounties	226.00
Due from County	12.38
Due from Tax Collector, 1948 poll tax	92.00
Due from Tax Collector, 1948 property tax	1,780.56
Due from land bought for taxes	254.77
Due from land sold, plus insurance	105.00
Overtax	73.45
	$ 3,185.93

LIABILITIES

Due school district	$ 2,020.14
Due school district, 1948 dog money	229.60
Due S. J. Ford, borrowed money	4,000.00
	$ 6,249.74
Excess liabilities over assets	$ 3,063.81

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall and equipment	$ 2,000.00
Library, furniture and equipment	1,800.00
Tool house and land	200.00
Equipment, including snow fence	500.00
Tractor building	500.00
Truck snow plow	300.00
Tractor and plow (old)	300.00
Tractor and plow (new)	5,000.00
Town land, school, etc.	6,300.00
Land acquired by tax collector's deed	840.00
Fire truck and equipment	2,000.00
Firehouse and garage	2,000.00
Truck	2,500.00
	$ 24,240.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Received for licensing:		
73 male dogs	$ 146.00	
18 female dogs	90.00	
1 kennel license	12.00	
	$ 248.00	
Less town clerk's fee	18.40	
		$ 229.60
Town meeting filing fees		11.00
1947 auto permits		27.43
1948 auto permits		903.42
		$ 1,171.45
Paid S. J. Ford, Town Treas.		$ 1,171.45

MRS. ANNE G. ROBY

Town Clerk.

Audited and approved:

ROY K. SARGENT,
HORACE M. HASTINGS,

Auditors.

January 15, 1949

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1948 LEVY

DEBITS:		
Warrant:		
Property tax	$ 16,816.15	
Regular polls, 248 @ $2.00	496.00	
Bank stock tax	5.00	
Added tax:		
Property	8.60	
Regular polls, 1 @ $2.00	2.00	
Interest collected	2.98	
		$ 17,330.73
CREDITS:		
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property tax	$ 14,994.74	
Regular polls, 191 @ $2.00	382.00	
Bank stock tax	5.00	
Interest collected	2.98	
Uncollected taxes:		
Property tax	1,780.56	
Regular polls, 46 @ $2.00	92.00	
Overtax	73.45	
		$ 17,330.73

DOROTHY M. HEATH,

Tax Collector.

Audited and approved:

HORACE M. HASTINGS,
ROY K. SARGENT,

Auditors.

January 15, 1949

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1947 BOOK

DEBITS:

Uncollected taxes:		
Property tax	$ 1,672.18	
Regular polls, 47 @ $2.00	94.00	
Added tax:		
Regular polls, 1 @ $2.00	2.00	
Interest	14.46	
		$ 1,782.64

CREDITS:

Remittances to Treasurer	$ 1,159.34	
Interest	8.06	
		$ 1,167.40
Uncollected taxes:		
Property tax	$ 563.98	
Poll tax, 6 @ $2.00	12.00	
Overtax	24.80	
Interest collected	14.46	
		$ 1,782.64

GEORGE W. PETERSON,

Tax Collector

Audited and approved:

HORACE M. HASTINGS,
ROY K. SARGENT,

Auditors.

January 15, 1949

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1947 LEVY

DEBITS:

Uncollected taxes:			
Property tax		$ 563.98	
Regular polls, 6 @ $2.00		12.00	
Added tax:			
Regular polls, 1 @ $2.00		2.00	
Interest collected		27.90	
			$ 605.88

CREDITS:

Remittances to Treasurer:			
Property tax		$ 416.72	
Regular polls, 5 @ $2.00		10.00	
Land bought for taxes		130.62	
Overtax	$ 14.48		
Abatements	6.16		
		20.64	
Interest collected		27.90	
			$ 605.88

DOROTHY M. HEATH,

Tax Collector.

Audited and approved:

HORACE M. HASTINGS,
ROY K. SARGENT,

Auditors.

January 15, 1949

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1946 LEVY

DEBITS:		
Uncollected taxes:		
Property tax	$ 18.16	
Regular polls, 3 @ $2.00	6.00	
Added tax:		
Interest collected	2.93	
		$ 27.09
CREDITS:		
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property tax	$ 18.16	
Regular polls, 3 @ $2.00	6.00	
Interest collected	2.93	
		$ 27.09

DOROTHY M. HEATH,

Tax Collector.

Audited and approved:

HORACE M. HASTINGS,
ROY K. SARGENT,

Auditors.

January 15, 1949

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand January 1, 1948	$ 371.23
Received of tax collector, 1946 taxes	18.16
Received of tax collector, 1946 interest	2.93
Received of tax collector, 1946 polls	6.00
Received of tax collector, 1946 redemptions	15.26
Received of tax collector, 1947 taxes	1,584.12
Received of tax collector, 1947 interest	35.39
Received of tax collector, 1947 polls	10.00
Received of tax collector, 1948 taxes	14,999.74
Received of tax collector, 1948 interest	2.98
Received of tax collector, 1948 polls	382.00
Received of tax collector, land bought for taxes	130.62
Received of tax collector, abatements	6.16
Received of tax collector, overtax	14.48
Received of tax collector, interest on land bought for taxes	6.97
Received of town clerk, auto permits	930.85
Received of town clerk, dog tax	229.60
Received of filing fees	11.00
Received of state treasurer, savings bank tax	255.65
Received of state treasurer, railroad tax	717.64
Received of state treasurer, interest & dividend tax	658.99
Received of selectmen	13,210.61
Total receipts	$ 33,600.38
Less selectmen's orders paid	32,958.61
Cash on hand January 1, 1949	$ 641.77

STEPHEN J. FORD,
Treasurer.

Audited and approved:
HORACE M. HASTINGS,
ROY K. SARGENT,
Auditors.

January 15, 1949

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1948	$ 371.23
Received of tax collector, 1946 tax	18.16
Received of tax collector, 1946 interest	2.93
Received of tax collector, 1946 polls	6.00
Received of tax collector, 1946 redemption	15.26
Received of tax collector, 1947 tax	1,584.12
Received of tax collector, 1947 interest	35.39
Received of tax collector, 1947 polls	10.00
Received of tax collector, 1948 tax	14,999.74
Received of tax collector, 1948 interest	2.98
Received of tax collector, 1948 polls	382.00
Received of tax collector, land bought for taxes	130.62
Received of tax collector, abatements	6.16
Received of tax collector, overtax	14.48
Received of tax collector, interest on land bought	6.97

Town:

Anne G. Roby, town clerk, auto permits	930.85
Anne G. Roby, town clerk, dog tax	229.60
Anne G. Roby, filing fees	11.00
State treasurer, savings bank tax	255.65
State treasurer, railroad tax	717.64
State treasurer, interest and dividend tax	658.99
State treasurer, bounties	273.50
State treasurer, forest fire refunds	81.58
W. A. Powers, snow fence burned	14.50
County treasurer, poor of farm	146.12
Pistol permits	2.50
C. A. Fowler, sale of cemetery lots	70.00
E. A. Bergstrom, scraping driveway	11.20
State treasurer, tax on state land	3.65
State treasurer, class V highway	2,578.70

E. J. Perkins, rent of town land	4.00
C. A. Federer, grass fire	2.14
J. O'Donnell, back taxes	22.72
S. J. Ford, money hired	5,000.00
1st National Bank, money hired	5,000.00
	$ 33,600.38

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Town officers' salary	$ 687.50
Town officers' expense	208.22
Election and registrations	156.00
Town hall expenses	17.49
New buildings	492.99
Forest fires	187.99
Bounties	226.00
Police department	40.50
Vital statistics	10.00
Library	150.00
Cemeteries	64.40
Patriotic purposes	100.00
Town poor	52.00
County poor	113.38
Old age assistance	2,038.56
County tax	1,331.55
Temporary loans	7,500.00
Interest on loans	191.08
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee	36.00
Unclassified	635.97
Land bought for taxes	152.27
School money	7,434.81

Snow removal	2,576.60
Summer maintenance	1,789.65
Tractor expense	758.40
Truck expense	399.06
General highway expense	505.75
Sanding	122.80
Street lights	600.00
Town dump	32.70
New buildings	800.00
New truck	2,500.00
Fire department	443.34
Withholding tax	65.10
T. R. A. money	538.50
	$ 32,958.61

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Roy B. Ford, balance of term	$ 52.50
Ervin J. Perkins, selectman	117.50
Charles C. Morrison, selectman	142.50
Clinton F. Huntoon, selectman	112.50
Stephen J. Ford, treasurer	60.00
George W. Peterson, tax collector, bal. of 1947	25.00
Dorothy M. Heath, tax collector, part salary	125.00
Anne G. Roby, town clerk	25.00
Thelma Heath, board of health	7.50
Horace M. Hastings, auditor	10.00
Roy K. Sargent, auditor	10.00
	$ 687.50

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies	$ 52.28
A. A. Howe, officers' bonds	42.50
Dorothy M. Heath, printing & supplies	24.40
George Peterson, printing & postage	18.00
Charles C. Morrison, mileage, tel., & postage	23.65
Anne G. Roby, supplies	8.00
Ervin J. Perkins, mileage & expenses	7.47
Wheeler & Clark, dog tags	7.87
Gertrude E. Smart, copying invoice	5.00
N. H. tax collector assoc., dues	6.00
N. H. assessors' assoc., dues	4.00
Charles Hardy, town clerk assoc., dues	2.00
Roy B. Ford, mileage & postage	6.00
Horace M. Hastings, postage	1.05
	$ 208.22

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Lawrence E. Ford, supervisor	$ 38.00
Harry O. Swett, supervisor	41.00
James W. Stewart, supervisor	15.50
Natalie C. Stewart, copying checklist	24.00
Stephen J. Ford, ballot clerk	9.00
Myrtie B. Ford, ballot clerk	9.00
Roy K. Sargent, ballot clerk	6.00
Mortimer Twomey, ballot clerk	3.00
Musgrove Printing House, printing ballots	10.50
	$ 156.00

TOWN HALL EXPENSE

Public Service Co., lights	$ 12.24
A. W. Jewett, janitor & repairs	5.25
	$ 17.49

NEW BUILDINGS

Clinton F. Huntoon, labor payroll	$ 142.57
Charles C. Morrison, labor payroll	170.80
Farmers' Exchange, cement	96.05
Twin State Gravel Co., crushed rock	25.08
R. P. Johnson, lumber	30.60
O. C. Hastings Co., hardware	16.79
C. C. Morrison, hardware	11.10
	$ 492.99

BOUNTIES

Ervin J. Perkins, (288 heads)	$ 144.00
Charles C. Morrison, (149 heads)	74.50
Clinton F. Huntoon, (15 heads)	7.50
	$ 226.00

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Lawrence E. Curran	$ 40.50

VITAL STATISTICS

Anne G. Roby, recording births, deaths, marriages	$ 10.00

LIBRARIAN

Cora I. Sargent, treasurer	$ 150.00

CEMETERIES

Clarence A. Fowler, sexton	$ 64.40

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

Treasurer, American Legion	$ 100.00

STREET LIGHTS

Public Service Co. of N. H.	$ 600.00

TOWN POOR

Georgia A. Ford, care of Arlene McDonald	$ 52.00

COUNTY POOR

R. E. Gardner, ,goods for Roger Rollins	$ 53.00
Smith's Store, goods for Roger Rollins	27.38
Concord Memorial Hospital, care of Rollins	33.00
	$ 113.38

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

State of N. H. Dept. of Public Welfare	$ 2,038.56

COUNTY TAX

County treasurer, county tax	$ 1,331.55

TEMPORARY LOANS

First National Bank, Bristol	$ 5,000.00
Stephen J. Ford	2,500.00
	$ 7,500.00

INTEREST ON LOANS

First National Bank	$ 115.83
Stephen J. Ford	75.25
	$ 191.08

DARTMOUTH-LAKE SUNAPEE REGION

Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee region	$ 36.00

T. R. A. MONEY

State of N. H., town's share	$ 538.50

SCHOOL MONEY

Arlene L. Chellis, balance of 1947-1948	$ 3,247.31
Arlene L. Chellis, dog money, 1947	187.50
Arlene L. Chellis, part of 1948-1949 money	4,000.00
	$ 7,434.81

UNCLASSIFIED

Musgrove Printing House, reports	$ 216.90
Musgrove Printing House, ballots	10.86
A. W. Jewett, insurance on Webster place	15.00
A. W. Jewett, insurance on town buildings	11.25
J. T. O'Donald, tax rebate	12.63
Katherine Crowley, conveyances	.50

Erick Fay, land rebate	113.30
Anne G. Roby, auto permits	123.50
Ervin J. Perkins, perambulating town lines	37.50
Clinton F. Huntoon, perambulating town lines	42.00
Maurice E. Wells, perambulating town lines	10.50
John K. Sterns, perambulating town lines	14.00
Dorothy M. Heath, abatements	6.16
Dorothy M. Heath, overtax	14.48
Bank service charge	7.39
	$ 635.97

TOWN DUMP

W. A. Powers, labor	$ 3.00
Reginald Glines, labor	1.80
Roy B. Ford, labor	8.70
Carl Webster, labor	19.20
	$ 32.70

FIRE DEPARTMENT

John Ray, insurance on firemen	$ 120.00
Fred Sevigney, installing sirene	20.35
Danbury Vol. Fire Department	302.99
	$ 443.34

LAND BOUGHT FOR TAXES

Land bought for taxes, 1947	$ 130.62
Interest on land bought	6.97
Cost of land sales	14.68
	$ 152.27

NEW BUILDINGS

Stephen J. Ford, real estate and buildings	$ 800.00

NEW TRUCK

Ralph George Motor Co., new truck	$ 2,500.00

DANBURY FIRE DEPARTMENT

Treasurer's Report for Year Ending December 31, 1948

RECEIPTS:		
Balance on hand, January 1, 1948	$ 56.63	
Supper and dance proceeds	67.60	
Motion picture proceeds	61.20	
Card party proceeds	49.12	
Fire call, town of Grafton	25.00	
Balance, town appropriation	302.99	
		$ 562.54
EXPENSES:		
John C. Ray, insurance, fire truck	$ 35.70	
John C. Ray, blanket insurance	120.00	
O. C. Hastings, supplies	3.75	
O. C. Hastings, refill of extinguishers	7.50	
Amer. Fire Equipment Co., lights	12.75	
Amer. Fire Equipment Co., siamese connection	15.11	
L. M. Smith, fire house doors	50.00	
R. P. Johnson & Son, insulation boards	53.36	
R. P. Johnson & Son, lumber materials	6.96	
L. E. Ford, lumber	7.08	
R. E. Leonard, battery	18.00	
H. N. Lussier, electrical work	55.58	
C. P. Stevens, hardware supplies	5.10	
C. E. Ford, labor paid out	55.40	
Hazen Co., lumber	25.08	
Newfound Printing Co., tickets	7.05	
C. A. Carr, fuel	12.75	
		$ 491.17
Total receipts	$ 562.54	
Total expense	491.17	
Balance		$ 71.37
Total balance on hand January 1, 1949		$ 71.37

FRANK CLEWS,

Treasurer.

Treasurer's Certificate

I certify that this is a true and correct report of the treasurer's records for the year ending Dec. 31, 1948.

FRANK CLEWS,
Treasurer.

BUILDING PROGRAM:

Cost of construction:

Donated labor	$ 648.00	
Paid labor	160.66	
Material, (doors, cement, lumber, etc.)	283.62	
		$ 1.092.28

Paid by following means:

Donated by firemen, 648 man hours	$ 648.00	
Cash donated in lieu of labor	83.00	
Material donated	25.43	
Paid by town out of funds raised	78.15	
Paid out of fire dept. funds	257.70	
		$ 1,092.28

As can be seen by the building program report, the fire department has progressed materially from last year with a minimum cost to the tax payer as a whole. Most of the cost was taken care of by the firemen themselves at a saving of approximately $800.00 to the general taxpayer.

We plan to continue with our efforts to complete the equipment to the extent that we will be prepared to combat any type of fire. To do this we will need a separate truck with a four or five hundred gallon tank and a pump, with chemical, to fight fires where there is no water available. This could be used also immediately upon reaching a fire while the lines were being laid to water at a distance.

We have already bought a pump which can be used on this truck or to pump water to the present truck. This would be used when we could not get the truck near enough to the water.

We plan also to build a room over the fire house to hold meetings in, and for the use of the firemen for recreation. It could also be used by the fish and game club for their meetings.

After this year we believe the fire department can be maintained at small cost to the town.

With the above goal in mind we ask the town to appropriate nine hundred dollars to be used as follows:

Pump and suction hose	$ 340.00
Oil stove, piped and connected	$ 110.00
Building room, etc.	$ 450.00

We plan to continue with our entertainment program which has been very successful the past year.

We are striving to complete the department for the benefit and protection of all the people and property in town, with the idea in mind to keep the cost as low as possible.

We want to thank the members of the fire department and people of the town for the interest shown and help given in the development of Danbury's first fire department.

CLARENCE E. FORD, Chief

FRED E. HOPPER, Commissioner

CLARENCE E. TOWSE, Commissioner

FRANCIS O. SHELDON, Commissioner

FOREST FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

Warren A. Powers, Warden

Permits issued	68	
Forest fires	2	
Warren A. Powers, Warden's fees		$ 5.00
Reporter Press, advertisement	$ 1.76	
Journal Transcript	2.65	
		$ 4.41
Posting fire posters:		
Roy K. Sargent	$ 1.47	
Everett Heath	3.81	
Reginald Glines	2.58	
Warren A. Powers	1.49	
		$ 9.35
Attending Fire Wardens' meeting, Bristol:		
Warren A. Powers	$ 6.67	
Everett M. Heath	4.77	
		$ 11.44
Attending Fire Wardens' meeting, Canaan:		
Roy K. Sargent	$ 6.67	
Reginald Glines	6.24	
		$ 12.91
Marking fire tools:		
Warren A. Powers, labor and paint		$ 3.82
Roy K. Sargent, labor and paint		1.80
Arthur Ranney, labor and paint		1.60
Robert Ford, labor and paint		1.60
		$ 8.82
Woodland Closed posters:		
Warren A. Powers	$ 1.22	
Roy K. Sargent	3.36	
Reginald Glines	4.40	
Everett Heath	3.60	
		$ 12.58

Forest Fire, Chellis Road:

Arlene Chellis	$ 1.00	
Virginia Strum	1.00	
Frank Strum	1.00	
Town of Danbury, snow fence	14.50	
		$ 17.50

Forest Fire, Wiggin land, Jones Road:

Warren A. Powers, Warden	$ 16.38	
Roy K. Sargent, deputy	1.60	
Everett Heath, deputy	3.20	
Rand Ford, deputy	1.60	
Clarence E. Ford, deputy	4.80	
H. Lussier, labor	2.40	
C. Fowler, labor	1.60	
Chester Martin, labor	1.60	
Harry Swett, labor	1.60	
Bernard Huntoon, labor	1.60	
Donald Wiggin, labor	1.60	
R. C. Leonard, labor	1.60	
Ray J. Martin, labor	1.60	
Lloyd Phelps, labor	11.20	
Arthur Webster, labor	11.20	
James Fifield, labor	16.00	
Ansel Powers, labor	9.60	
Willard Huntoon, labor	1.60	
F. O. Sheldon, labor	1.60	
Myrl Phelps, labor	1.60	
Maurice Wells, labor	1.60	
Maurice Ford, labor	1.60	
Vincent Daughen, labor	1.60	
E. B. Ford, labor	1.60	
L. F. Huntoon, labor	1.60	
Earl Hillsgrove, labor	4.00	
		$ 105.98

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Your local organization to prevent and extinguish brush and woods fires is glad to report a good year of forest protection in 1948. In spite of danger conditions nearly equalling at times those of 1947 when great losses were suffered in New Hampshire and New England, fire damage and loss this year have been gratifyingly low.

With the continuing cooperation of all people, we can hope to have another successful year in 1949. Let us remember that in any year, over 90% of all fires are caused by carelessness and that all of these man-caused fires are preventable.

Today, we have more slash and uncut grassland than for many years in the past. Smokers, campers and tourists who use our outdoors are also more numerous than ever before. We must therefore be ready for fires which might occur but, above all, prevention by everyone is the greatest need.

A few simple precautions taken by every citizen will help, as follows:

(1) Always get a written permit from the warden before kindling a fire outdoors when the ground is not covered with snow.

(2) If you smoke, always extinguish matches and tobacco before dropping or throwing them down. In automobiles, always use the ash trays.

(3) Report fires and smokes to the warden without delay.

The observance of these and other simple rules will go far to insure safety from fire damage and your cooperation in this way is earnestly solicited.

1948 FIRE RECORD, Town of Danbury:

Number of Fires: 2

Acreage Burned: One and three fourths acre

Number of Fire Permits Issued: 66

Respectfully submitted,

George F. Richardson, Jr. — District Fire Chief

Warren A. Powers — Forest Fire Warden

SNOW REMOVAL

Snow Labor, January 1, to April 1, 1948

Gifford N. Wiggin, Agent

Reginal Glines, labor	$ 288.90	
Maurice Ford, labor	251.30	
Myrl Phelps, labor	26.00	
Robert Phelps, labor	8.00	
Roy B. Ford, labor	21.50	
Lloyd Phelps, labor	1.60	
Howard Seamans, labor	3.20	
Edwin Heath, labor	9.00	
Alvin Currier with truck plow	824.00	
Frank Currier, labor	47.60	
Reginald Wiggin, labor	85.30	
Ernest Currier, labor	26.00	
Gifford N. Wiggin, labor	49.00	
		$ 1,641.40

Roy B. Ford, Agent

Reginald Glines, labor	$ 44.00	
Maurice Ford, labor	36.30	
Roy B. Ford, labor	21.50	
Lloyd Phelps, labor	6.00	
Alvin Currier with truck plow	102.00	
Frank Currier, labor	10.00	
Reginald Wiggin, labor	10.80	
Ernest Currier, labor	1.20	
		$ 231.80
Willard Ford, plowing snow		$ 494.00
		$ 2,367.20

SANDING

Gifford N. Wiggin, Agent

Spring — 1948

Warren A. Powers with truck	$ 36.00	
Ernest Currier, labor	16.00	
Reginald Wiggin, labor	16.00	
Carrie Shaw, sand	5.20	
		$ 73.20

Roy B. Ford, Agent

Fall — 1948

Roy B. Ford, labor	$ 105.90	
Frank Stevens, labor	32.30	
Rodney Huntoon, labor	21.20	
Edward Stevens, labor	6.40	
Reginald Glines, labor	40.00	
Norman Barker, labor	.40	
Carrie Shaw, sand	3.20	
		$ 209.40
Roy B. Ford, labor	$ 10.80	
Frank Stevens, labor	8.00	
Warren A. Powers, labor	10.80	
Lawrence Stevens, labor	8.00	
Norman Barker, labor	6.00	
Merle Barker, labor	6.00	
		$ 49.60

TRACTOR EXPENSE

R. C. Hazelton Co., repair parts	$ 396.50	
O. C. Hastings, gas, oil, anti-freeze	238.39	
R. E. Gardner, gas, oil	27.42	
A. W. Jewett, insurance on tractor	51.00	
G. N. Wiggin, gas, oil	10.75	
G. N. Wiggin, welding, express, anti-freeze	9.78	
Potter Place Garage, welding	23.39	
Roy B. Ford, express on parts	1.17	
		$ 758.40

TRUCK EXPENSE

Farm Bureau, insurance	$ 38.13	
Danbury Garage, gas, oil	111.21	
Fred's Auto, headboard	29.55	
Danbury Garage, labor and parts, on truck and plow	56.93	
Ralph George Motors, parts and anti freeze	77.62	
Alvin Currier, chains, lights	21.00	
Raymond E. Gardner, gas	6.20	
G. W. Dean, installing and welding plow	44.40	
G. N. Wiggin, welding, express	12.02	
Roy B. Ford, parts	2.00	
		$ 399.06
Number of hours used	806	

SUMMER MAINTENANCE

Roy B. Ford, labor	$ 620.05
Frank Stevens, labor	224.80
Alvin Smart, labor	167.65
John Smart, labor	164.70
W. A. Powers with truck	144.90
W. A. Powers, labor	39.60
Alvin Currier with truck	90.90
Reginald Wiggin, labor	36.30
E. J. Perkins with truck	7.20
Ray J. Martin with truck	21.60
Lawrence Stevens, labor	12.80
Rodney Huntoon, labor	28.80
James Kelly, labor	27.60
Edward Stevens, labor	21.60
Willard Huntoon, labor	.80
Homer Austin, labor	40.80

Donald Tupper, labor	6.40	
Donald Wiggin, labor	11.20	
Arthur Ranney, labor	17.40	
Linley Ordway, labor	1.60	
C. C. Morrison, labor	2.40	
Walter Russell, labor	2.40	
Alvin Currier, labor	10.00	
Lawrence Dicey, labor	1.60	
Myrl Phelps, labor	1.60	
Walter Walker, labor	1.60	
Edward Thomas, labor	1.60	
Roy Ford, cash paid for gravel	10.00	
		$ 1,717.90

BRIDGES

Roy B. Ford, labor	$ 22.95	
Frank Stevens, labor	17.20	
Edward Stevens, labor	6.40	
James Kelly, labor	14.00	
Chester Martin, labor	6.40	
Rodney Huntoon, labor	4.80	
		$ 71.75

GENERAL HIGHWAY EXPENSE

Earl Robinson, bridge plank	$ 220.00	
Frank Currier, bridge plank	91.52	
O. C. Hastings Co., supplies	6.74	
Danbury Garage, road machine tire	12.00	
Scott Machine Co., road machine blade	10.39	
Willey's Express, express on blade	1.24	
N. H. Highway Dept., calcium	162.61	
Roy Ford, express	1.25	
		$ 505.75

REPORT OF MUNICIPAL COURT, DANBURY

January 1, 1948 to January 1, 1949

Francis O. Sheldon, Justice

Total fines and costs imposed			$ 816.10
Fines suspended		$ 55.00	
Motor Vehicle Dept., fines		279.00	
Motor Vehicle Dept., costs		76.50	
Fish & Game Dept., fines		220.00	
Fish & Game Dept., costs		7.60	
Towne & Robie, forms		26.00	
Edson Eastman, forms		13.20	
Stamps etc.		3.17	
			$ 680.47
			$ 135.63
Back salary due	$109.82		
1948 salary	100.00		
		$ 209.82	
Applied		135.63	
Net due			$ 74.19

Audited and approved:

HORACE M. HASTINGS,
ROY K. SARGENT,

Auditors.

January 15, 1949

GEORGE GAMBLE LIBRARY

Report of the Library Trustees for the year ending

December 31, 1948

Receipts

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1948	$ 5.19	
Received from Town Treasurer	150.00	
Fines	4.80	
		$ 159.99

Payments

C. W. Towse, installing lights	$ 75.00	
Ruth Phelps, librarian	51.00	
Frank Sheldon, wood	10.75	
Eddie Phelps, shoveling snow	1.50	
Doris McNeil, cleaning	10.00	
A. W. Jewett, cleaning chimney	.50	
Reginald Wiggin, care of lawn	3.00	
Vernon McNeil, splitting wood	.50	
Postage	.70	
		$ 152.95
Total Receipts	$ 159.99	
Total Payments	152.95	
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1948		$ 7.04

Patrons—87

Magazines—198

Circulation—1934

MARGARET RAMSAY,
CORA I. SARGENT,
HARRIET G. MORRISON,
Trustees.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DANBURY

SCHOOL DIRECTORY

School Board

Roy K. Sargent	Term expires 1949
Beulah Ford	Term expires 1950
Edna Powers	Term expires 1951

District Officers

Anne G. Roby	Moderator
Dorothy Heath	Clerk
Arlene Chellis	Treasurer
Ray Martin	Auditor

Teachers

Mrs. Huldah Currier	South Danbury
Miss Gladys Cooper	Village
Mrs. Gladys W. Twomey	Elmwood

Attendance Officer

Roy K. Sargent

Superintendent of Schools

C. Maurice Gray

School Nurse

Phyllis Robertson, R. N.

Danbury School Calendar
1949-50

Open September 6	Close December 22
Open January 4	Close February 17
Open February 27	Close April 14
Open April 24	Close June 13

No school may close until completion of 180 days of school including 3 for institutes and conventions, and up to 5 for workshops.

Days out: May 30. Close at 1 o'clock on Nov. 23, Dec. 22.

Pupils may enter the first grade provided they are six before January 1.

Vaccination is required by State law unless child has written excuse from doctor.

ANNUAL REPORT OF

School Treasurer and School Board

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1948

Treasurer's Report

Summary:

Cash on hand June 30, 1947	$ 245.90	
Received from selectmen	5,000.00	
Received from trust funds	48.00	
Received from State Treasurer	6,595.86	
Received from all other sources	290.29	
Total receipts		$ 12,180.05
Less School Board orders paid		11,755.77
Balance on hand June 30, 1948		$ 424.28

ARLENE L. CHELLIS,
Treasurer.

Auditor's Certificate

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Danbury, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948 and find them correct in all respects.

RAY MARTIN,
Auditor.

School Board's Report

Receipts:

Cash on hand July 1, 1947	$ 245.90
From selectmen, appropriation for 1947-48	5,000.00
From trust funds	48.00
From State Treasurer, state aid	6,595.86
From all other sources	290.29
Total receipts	$ 12,180.05

Auditor's Certificate

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Danbury, of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

RAY MARTIN,
Auditor.

Detailed Statement of Payments

Salaries of District Officers:

Annie L. Walker, School Board salary	$ 24.78	
Beulah Ford, School Board salary	42.50	
Roy K. Sargent, School Board salary	42.50	
Arlene Chellis, treasurer	10.00	
		$ 119.78

Superintendent's Salary:

Estelle Greenwood, Union treasurer	$ 210.52	
Supt. retirement	13.44	
		$ 223.96

Truant Officer and School Census:

Roy K. Sargent		$ 15.00

Expenses of Administration:

Ray Martin, auditor	$ 2.00	
Arlene Chellis, postage	7.05	
First National Bank, service charges	7.98	
Musgrove Printing House	1.95	
Journal Transcript	3.70	
A. A. Howe, treasurer's bond	5.00	
Annie L. Walker, expenses	4.85	
Estelle Greenwood, Union treasurer	93.40	
Brown & Saltmarsh, Inc.	.75	
Natalie C. Stewart	4.50	
		$ 131.18

Teachers' Salary:		
Huldah Currier	$ 1,576.80	
Gladys Twomey	1,526.40	
Gladys Cooper	1,504.60	
Teachers' retirement	98.00	
Collector of Internal Revenue	347.20	
		$ 5,053.00
Text Books:		
Charles Scribners' Sons	$ 32.39	
The Grolier Society	18.24	
Webster Publishing Co.	5.29	
McCormick-Mathers Pub. Co.	6.76	
Row, Peterson & Co.	20.49	
John C. Winston Co.	21.29	
Laidlaw Brothers	6.40	
American Book Co.	6.54	
Ginn & Co.	25.30	
Iroquois Publishing Co.	2.29	
The Continental Press	1.58	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	4.98	
J. L. Hammett Co.	1.05	
		$ 152.60
Scholars' Supplies:		
J. L. Hammett Co.	$ 103.66	
Vesco Film Library	3.78	
Bristol School District	3.00	
Supervisory Union No. 4	10.56	
Cascade Paper Co.	18.26	
White River Paper Co.	44.80	
		$ 184.06
Other Expenses of Instruction:		
Encyclopedia Britannica Inc.	$ 54.06	
Musgrove Printing House	6.61	
George W. Tucker	1.71	
J. L. Hammett Co.	7.43	
		$ 69.81

Janitor Service:

Ruth Phelps	$ 45.00	
Ralph Ordway	50.00	
Emma Dexter	50.00	
June Brown	25.00	
		$ 170.00

Fuel:

Ruth K. Phelps	$ 2.50	
Ervin J. Perkins, wood	169.50	
F. O. Sheldon, wood	36.00	
Ray J. Martin, sawing wood	24.00	
		$ 232.00

Water, Light and Janitor Supplies:

Public Service Co. of N. H., lights	$ 43.20	
White River Paper Co., supplies	20.33	
Doris MacNeil, cleaning	5.00	
Ruth Phelps, supplies	5.00	
O. C. Hastings, supplies	18.06	
		$ 91.59

Minor Repairs and Expenses:

Arlene Chellis	$ 24.00	
Everett M. Heath	131.00	
E. H. Stevens	5.00	
Gardner's I.G.A. store	3.11	
N. P. Clough & Co., Inc.	6.28	
Cascade Paper Co.	2.73	
R. P. Johnson & Son	129.56	
		$ 301.68

Medical Inspection:

Estelle Greenwood, Union treasurer	$ 166.41

Transportation of Pupils:

Ruth K. Phelps	$ 14.14	
Grace Ford	967.00	
		$ 981.14

High School Tuition:

Franklin School District	$ 108.00	
Bristol School District	360.00	
Canaan School District	380.07	
Andover School District	2,608.16	
		$ 3,456.23

Per Capita Tax:

F. Gordon Kimball, State Treasurer	$ 202.00

Insurance and Other Fixed Charges:

Teachers' Retirement Board	$ 120.00	
Cora Sargent, rent of Book Room	10.00	
A. W. Jewett, insurance	16.66	
		$ 146.66

New Equipment:

A. J. Nystrom Co., globe	$ 15.22	
Eastern Fire Equip. Inc., extinguishers	43.45	
		$ 58.67
Total expenses		$ 11,755.77

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Public Laws 1926, Chapter 68:22 and upon forms furnished by the State Tax Commission.

ROY K. SARGENT,
BEULAH FORD,
EDNA POWERS,
School Board.

Comparative Budgets

	1947-48 Budget	1947-48 Money spent	1948-49 Budget	1949-50 Estimate
Salaries of district officers	$ 139.50	$ 134.78	$ 177.00	$ 177.00
Superintendant's salary	220.00	223.96	220.00	285.00
Truant officer and census	16.00		15.00	15.00
Expenses of administration	150.00	131.18	150.00	175.00
Teachers' salaries	5,200.00	5,053.00	5,200.00	5,500.00
Text books	125.00	152.60	125.00	200.00
Scholars' supplies	120.00	184.06	120.00	200.00
Other expenses of instruction	75.00	69.81	75.00	100.00
Janitor service	180.00	170.00	180.00	180.00
Fuel	280.00	232.00	300.00	300.00
Water, light & janitor supplies	145.00	91.59	100.00	100.00
Minor repairs and expenses	500.00	301.68	500.00	500.00
Medical supervision	200.00	166.41	200.00	210.00
Transportation of pupils	1,200.00	981.14	1,200.00	2,100.00
High School tuition	3,500.00	3,456.23	4,900.00	4,650.00
Other special activities	25.00		10.00	25.00
Per Capita tax	202.00	202.00	212.00	196.00
Insurance and other charges	288.81	146.66	215.00	225.00
New equipment	25.00	58.67	25.00	200.00
Totals	$ 12,591.31	$ 11,755.77	$ 13,924.00	$ 15,338.00

School Board's Estimate for 1949-50

Detailed Statement of Expenditures

Support of Schools		
Teachers' Salaries	$ 5,500.00	
Text Books	200.00	
Scholars' Supplies	200.00	
Other Expenses of Instruction	100.00	
Janitor Service	180.00	
Fuel	300.00	
Water, Light & Janitor Supplies	100.00	
Minor Repairs & Expenses	500.00	
Medical Supervision	210.00	
Transportation of Pupils	2,100.00	
Other Special Activities	25.00	
		$ 9,415.00
Other Statutory Requirements		
Salaries of District Officers	$ 177.00	
Truant Officer & Census	15.00	
Payment of Tuition in High School	4,650.00	
Superintendent's Salary	285.00	
Per Capita Tax	196.00	
Other Obligations of the District	600.00	
		$ 5,923.00
Total amount required to meet school board's budget		$ 15,338.00

Estimated Income

State Aid	$ 6,595.86	
Dog Tax	160.00	
Income from Trust Funds	48.00	
Elementary School Tuition Receipts	150.00	
Deduct Estimated Income		$ 6,953.86
Assessment required to balance school board's budget		$ 8,384.14

ROY K. SARGENT,
BEULAH FORD,
EDNA POWERS,

School Board

General Statistics

Enrollment by Grades

1947-48 Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Center	5	2	3	2	5	2	1	6	26
Elmwood	0	5	3	4	0	5	0	2	19
South	3	4	0	2	4	2	3	3	21
Totals	8	11	6	8	9	9	4	11	66
1948-49									
Center	5	6	4	4	2	5	3	2	31
Elmwood	6	1	4	3	4	0	4	0	22
South	5	2	5	0	2	7	3	3	27
Totals	16	9	13	7	8	12	10	5	80

District Totals

1947-48	Av. Att.	Av. Abs.	Av. Memb.	%Attend.
Center	24.95	1.	25.95	96.1
Elmwood	18.14	.34	18.48	98.1
South	20.	.9	20.9	95.6
Totals	63.09	2.24	65.33	96.57
1948-49				
Center	31.1	.5	31.6	98.4
Elmwood	21.7	.3	22.0	98.6
South	27.0	.3	27.3	98.9
Totals	79.8	1.1	80.9	98.6

Tuition Pupils

Franklin High School — Rate $135.00

Mertie Dicey	Grade 11
Godfrey Miller	11
Helen Ordway	11
Ralph Ordway	9
Alexandra Miller	P.G.

Tuition Pupils

Andover High School — Rate $125.00

Nancy Allen	Grade 12
Florence Barker	12
Mary Ann Bryer (4 weeks)	12
Joyce Daughen	12
Vernon MacNeill	12
Jean Stewart	12
Walter Walker	12
Florence Clarke	11
Bert Hillsgrove	11
Jerry Kelly	11
George Reed	11
Margery Walker	11
Beverly Babkirk	10
Teresa Drake	10
Barbara Hill	10
Laura MacNeill	10
Edward Phelps	10
Nellie Phelps	10
Lila Stewart	10
Robert Ford	9
Molly Glover	9
John Twomey	9
Robert MacNeill	9

Bristol High School — Rate $130.00

Richard Moran	Grade 12
John Ford	11
Edward Moran	11
Maurine Ford	9
Louise Huntoon	9
Jean Tibbetts	9

Canaan High School — Rate $135.00

Marie Huntoon	Grade 12

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1948-49

Teacher Training. During the past two years considerable work has been done by the teachers to improve their teaching. Two elementary workshops under the supervision of the State Board of Education have been held. One of these was in the field of social studies and the last one on art. These were very well conducted by the state staffs and the response of the teachers very fine. The first one of these "broke the ice" and the desire of the teachers to do more for their pupils then took the form of taking extension courses during the winter, and summer courses later, and again this winter by more extension courses with teachers in Canaan traveling to Tilton once a week to attend a course sponsored by Plymouth Teachers' College. It has been impossible for all teachers to take summer or extension courses because of varying circumstances but the general response has been encouraging. It is hoped that this trend will continue and increase in participation as the good results are discussed by teachers themselves. Bridgewater and Danbury school boards have paid part of the costs of summer sessions. This is an increasing tendency particularly where no salary schedule exists which often makes salary increases based in part on extra study. Bristol joined with Tilton and Belmont in a high school workshop which was most challenging and thought provoking but was of such a nature that time is needed to properly evaluate the content and to make haste slowly in curriculum revision and methods of teaching. The greatest value of all of these devices has been to renew the individual's desire to learn more about teaching and youngsters so that each pupil may be better taught. It might not be wrong here to point out that the higher level of pay of teachers may be in part a contributing factor of self-improvement.

Critical Shortage of Elementary Teachers. Much has been written on local, state, and national levels on the critical shortage of elementary teachers. It is not a local problem but a national one due to become more acute as the pre-school youngsters pour into the elementary schools requiring many more teachers in this field. To be perfectly frank about the whole thing anyone belittling this situation is ill informed to say the least. Often there are good teachers living in an area who will or can not teach for one reason or another. For all practical purposes they don't exist. There are always some on the spring lists of teachers who are looking for a job every year. Perhaps the best indication of the shortage is the fact that a city superintendent will write in to a teachers' college and offer to take sight unseen the whole graduating class. It is my firm belief that teachers well qualified with either successful teaching experience or bright prospects of the same will remain in critical supply for 10-15 years at least, and this in spite of the fact that school men throughout the nation are devoting much thought and time to easing the situation.

Increasing Costs. A 10% increase in costs of supplies, books, etc., seems to be the general opinion. This might well include fuel, telephone rates etc. It is difficult to see how these costs will drop and level off in the near future. Structural costs are out of sight and will remain there as long as defense and housing demands remain as much in demand as at present. Department of Labor cost of living indexes show about 16% rise in the last two years with only slight drops in some items during the past few months.

The Tax Burden. The property tax still bears the heavy part of all costs on the local levels including school and town expenses. In spite of conservative evaluations the property tax is a major item, and is bearing a load all out of proportion to its capacity. New Hampshire tax laws

need careful study and revision to not only relieve the property tax but to absorb increased costs of items over which we locally have no control. When we see and hear the need of new buildings, when we know that there will literally be millions more in our schools soon we begin to raise our eyebrows less at the thought of more state and federal aid, both branches of government having sources of tax monies not taxable at the local level. The consumer will pay in the end but all people do not consume the same things, and much wealth in the U.S. may be found which is not real estate. The tax problem will be one we should all follow in the legislature which will be in session by the time this is in print.

Tuition Charges. There seems to be a general misunderstanding of tuition charges and since all towns are either on the receiving or paying end of this proposition it would seem well to explain some phases of this. A school district may charge a high school tuition up to its average cost of instruction provided this cost is lower than the state average. In case its costs are greater it may charge the state average. In figuring the costs either locally or on the state level four items in the budget are counted: (1) Teachers' Salaries; (2) Text Books; (3) Scholars' Supplies; (4) Other Expenses of Instruction. The total of these costs divided by the average membership for the same year gives the cost of instruction. In past years most places have charged a figure well under this. However, with increasing costs in these items there is a strong trend throughout the state to charge the actual amount spent especially now that state aid is mostly based on equalized evaluation of property. Obviously there are other costs such as heat, lights, janitor service, minor repairs and expenses, other special activities, insurance, new equipment and alterations of old buildings, which are a part of overall costs. On a contractual basis a school district might charge another district a per pupil charge for these items. Few districts do so however. It

should be pointed out that this era may be slowly drawing to a close especially where new building construction is contemplated either to take care of increased enrollments, or to offer a better educational program. Building costs are so prohibitive that few, if any, of the districts maintaining high schools can build on any basis other than charging a rate to cover everything including capital improvements and interest, or on a cooperative basis with other towns taking advantage of present or future laws.

State Legislation. There will be bills introduced in the general court which will have far reaching effects in New Hampshire whether or not they become laws. At this point all we can do is suggest that they get our best study and considered action. This is our legislature and "We Are The People".

Respectfully submitted,

C. MAURICE GRAY, Supt.

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Danbury, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31. 1948

DATE OF CREATION	TRUST FUNDS—PURPOSE OF CREATION All trust funds should be reported separately giving name of fund and donor	HOW INVESTED State character and rate of return for each investment. State also if funds were "borrowed or used for city or town purposes," and indicate whether notes have been used as required by Chapter 51, Sect. 23, Public Laws	AMOUNT OF PRINCIPAL	Rate of Int.	Bal. of Income on hand at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Bal. on Income on Hand at End of Year
1912	Danbury Memorial, for Soldiers' Graves	Bristol Savings Bank	$85.22	2%	$4.62		$1.75	$2.78
1916	Curtis Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	200.00	2½%		8.16	8.16	
1916	Isaac Sanborn Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	25.00	2½%		1.02	1.02	
1916	Litchfield Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	100.00	2½%		2.50	2.50	
1916	Appleton Walker Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	50.00	2½%		2.56	2.56	
1916	Converse Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	50.00	2½%		1.25	1.25	
1916	Sarah Bean Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	25.00	2½%		.63	.63	
1922	Capt. Samuel Gardner and H. Chase Cemetery	New Hampshire Savings Bank	100.00	2½%		5.00	1.00	4.00
1923	John Langley Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	50.00	2½%		1.25	1.25	
1923	Mary G. Sleeper Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	50.00	2½%		1.25	1.25	
1925	Cyrus B. Jones Cemetery Fund	Franklin Savings Bank	100.00	2%		4.11	4.11	
1929	George F. Sleeper Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	100.00	2½%		2.50	2.50	
1929	Floretta E. Emmons Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	200.00	2½%	14.04		.75	13.29
1930	Alice E. Braley Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	300.00	2½%	9.62		1.50	8.12
1930	N. A. Sleeper-Wolcott Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	100.00	2½%		2.50	2.50	
1930	Olive J. Willkins Cemetery Fund	Franklin Savings Bank	50.00	2%		2.06	2.06	
1930	Hannah Wiggin Cemetery Fund	Franklin Savings Bank	50.00	2%		2.06	2.06	
1933	Lorenzo M. Heath Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	150.00	2½%	2.83		1.38	1.45
1933	Volana Kilton Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	200.00	2½%		5.00	5.00	
1934	Samuel Haskins Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	50.00	2½%	1.70	3.32	.75	4.27
1935	John V. Ford Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	50.00	2½%		1.25	1.25	
1936	Flora O. Medska Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	25.00	2½%		.63	.63	
1936	Julius B. Hale Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	100.00	2½%		2.50	2.50	
1937	Dexter J. Perkins Cemetery Fund	Franklin Savings Bank	50.00	2%	5.58		.75	4.83
1939	Charles A. Martin Cemetery Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	100.00	2½%	8.00		1.37	6.63
1941	Clara A. Walker Cemetery Fund	Franklin Savings Bank	100.00	2%		2.00	2.00	
1941	N. A. Willkins Cemetery Fund	Franklin Savings Bank	200.00	2%		8.17	8.17	
1944	Fred B. Brailey Cemetery Fund	Franklin Savings Bank	200.00	2%		2.00	2.00	
1944	Alice R. Adams Cemetery Fund	Franklin Savings Bank	100.00	2%	.52	4.06	1.50	3.08
1945	Austin A. Drake Cemetery Fund	Franklin Savings Bank	100.00	2%	.48	4.05	.75	3.78
1931	Parsonage Fund for Churches	Loan and Trust Savings Bank	300.00	2%		9.89	9.89	
1948	Hattie E. Huntoon Cemetery Fund	Franklin Savings Bank	100.00					
1936	Hattie Langley School Fund and Shares	N R R Stock Paid direct to School District						
1948	Contributed for South Danbury Cemetery					12.43	12.43	
					$47.39	$92.15	$87.22	$52.32

Audited and Approved:

HORACE M. HASTINGS,
ROY K. SARGENT,
Auditors.

January 15, 1949

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief. Jan. 7, 1949

ARTHUR W. JEWETT,
CLARENCE E. FORD,
FRANCIS O. SHELDON,
Trustees

Births Registered in the Town of Danbury for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1948

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Male or Female	Living or Stillborn	No. of Child 1st, 2d, etc.	Color	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Color	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Jan. 20	Franklin	Ronald William ..	M..	L ..	3	All White	Wilm'r L Brownell	Mary L. Huntoon.	All White	Danbury	Laborer	Nashua.....	Danbury .....
Mar. 12	"	Frances Mabelle..	F...	L .	2		James O. Fifield	Martha A. Wells.		"	LumberConct'	Johnson, Vt.	So. Danbury..
Apr. 4	"	John Frank.....	M..	L ..	1		Dona'd G. Wiggin	Phyllis M. Thies..		"	Lumberman ..	Danbury	LongIsl'ndNY
Sept. 29	"	Myron Mason.....	M..	L ..	8		William H. Clark.	Ethel L. Mason....		"	"	Warner	Brighton,Mass
Nov. 24	"	Kathleen Ellen....	F...	L ..	3		Myrl C. Phelps....	June V. Reed		"	Farmer..	Danbury	Lewiston, Me
1883 Sept. 29	Danbury	Grace Ellen.....	F...	L ..	....		Russell M. Bean ..	Etta A. Hancock..		"	Section Man ..	"	Sanbornton ...

Marriages Registered in the Town of Danbury for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1948

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	N'me and S'rn'me of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age in Years	Color of each	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation of Parents	1st, 2d, or 3d marriage	Name, Residence and Offici'l St'tion of pers'n by whom married
Mar. 26	Wilmot.....	Robert B. Liberty	Wilmot.....	21	All White	Clerk.....	Swampscott, Mass.	Arthur O. Liberty..	Tilton.....	Carpenter...	1	Rev. G. Stewart Campbell Wilmot
								Ruby E. Bixby.....	Wilmot.	Housewife..		
		Lucile M. Wells..	Danbury.....	23		Teacher.....	Danbury....	Forest E. Wells	Danbury.....	RealEst.Agt.	1	
								Mabelle A. Wells...	Nashua.....	Housewife.		
Apr. 21	Wilmot.....	Herbert C Fosie..	Plymouth.....	28		RREmploy'e	Plymouth...	Alfred A. Fosie.....	Suncook.....	RREmploy'e	1	Rev. G. Stewart Campbell Wilmot
								Emma M. Cayes	Plymouth.....	At Home...		
		Barbara E Stewart	Danbury.....	25		Teacher.....	Danbury....	Robert Stewart Sr..	Danbury.....	RREmploy'e	1	
								Lillian G. Ford.....	"	Housewife..		
June 19	Franklin....	Arthur J. Ranney	Danbury.....	56		Mechanic....	Medfield Mas	John W. Ranney...	W Hartford, Vt	Retired.....	2	Herbert A. Griffin Justice of Peace Franklin
								Emily C. Lord	Hanover.....	Housewife..		
		Bertha A. Bacon..	Danbury.....	49		Tel. Operator	Canaan Ctr.	George H. McAlister	"	Landscape..	2	
								Leona L. Ford.....	Canaan Ctr....	Housewife.		
July 3	Wilmot.....	Freeman E. Patten	Alexandria....	25		Mill Worker	Kittery, Me.	Leon C. Patten.....	Alexandria ...	Mechanic...	1	Rev. C. Walter Bishop Wilmot
								Blanche E. Hazeltine	Bristol	Housewife.		
		Villa J. Ordway..	Danbury.....	18		Home.....	Danbury....	Clarence A. Ordway	Hopkinton....	Section Man.	1	
								Elizabeth McDaniels	Hersey, Me....	Housewife.		
Nov. 9	W. Lebanon.	Clifford M. Goss..	Enfield.. . ..	53		Farmer.....	Lowell, Mass	Ezra J. Goss	Chazey	Farmer.	1	Rev. R. Berwyn Daniel West Lebanon
								Maggie Martin.....	Ireland..	Housewife.		
		Helen S. Brown...	Danbury.....	36		Sten'graph'r	Swansea Mas	Chester J. P. Brown	Swansea, Mass.	Farmer.....	1	
								Jessie M. Schlegel	Tiverton, R I	Home.....		
Dec. 31	Wilmot.....	Linley A. Ordway	Danbury.... .	25		U. S. Army..	So. Danbury	Clarence A. Ordway	Concord	Section Hand	1	
								Elizabeth McDaniels	Sanbornton ..	Housewife.		
		Irene M. Lowell.	Andover.....	25		Needle Worker	Andover.....	Lewis W. Lowell....	Salisbury.....	Ins. Co Emp.	1	
								Elizabeth Keniston.	Andover.....	Housewife..		

Deaths Registered in the Town of Danbury for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1948

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name	Age Years	Age Months	Age Days	Place of Birth	Sex	Color	Single, Married, or Widowed	Occup'ti'n	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 5	South Danbury	Herbert R. Morrill	77	11	19	Springfield	M	All White	S.	Farmer	Springfield	Springfield	James Morrill	Elizabeth Fowler
Mar. 9	Danbury	Frank R. Wells	62	2	23	Danbury	M		M.	"	Hill	Gilmanton	Charles Wells	Ella Eastman
23	Haverhill, Mass.	Bloss'mB'tchelder	63	9	2	Hill	F		M.	Home	"	Canada	Andrew J. Phelps	Lillis M. Bailey
June 21	Danbury	Fr'd'rickSevigney	49	7	23	Chester, Conn.	M		M	Electrician	Princeville.PQ	Princeville,PQ	Joseph Sevigney	Ansel'eCarrigman
July 29	Franklin	AdelbertP. Braley	87	6	14	Alexandria	M		W.	Retired	Danbury	Danbury	Daniel S. Braley	Ascentha R. Smith
Sept. 13	"	Mortim'rTwomey	73	5	12	Malden, Mass.	M		M.	"	Ireland	Ireland	CorneliusTwomey	Catherine Shay
Oct. 16	Ashland	Henri R. Collins	96		16	Enfield	M		W.	RRCond'tr	Unknown	Essex, Mass	Willard Collins	Elinor Burnham
18	Danbury	Alvin Smart	66	7	13	Eagle Lake, Me.	M		M	Laborer	EagleLake.Me	EagleLake,Me	Joseph Smart	PhilomineGagnon
20	"	Alice A. Sewall	87	6	7	Springfield	F		W.	Housewife			Jonathan Buzzell	Abagail Robbins
8	Boston, Mass.	Marion J. Bliss	38	10	10	Boston, Mass	F		M.	"	Stoneham,Mas	Stoneham.Mas	F. L. Carter	Eva Stillings
23	Andover	Clara M. Farnum	92	4	15	Danbury	F		S.	Teaching	Concord	Concord	Francis Farnum	Amanda Abbott

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANNE G. ROBY, Town Clerk.